UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE LITIGATION	 MDL No. 1456 Master File No. 01-12257-PBS
) Judge Patti B. Saris
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:)
State of California, ex rel. Ven-A-Care v.)
Abbott Laboratories, Inc., et al.)
CASE #: 1:03-cv-11226-PBS)
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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE OF SIOBHAN A. FRANKLIN

Pursuant to Local Rule of Civil Procedure 83.5.2(c), please withdraw the appearance of Siobhan A. Franklin as one of the attorneys for plaintiff STATE OF CALIFORNIA in this action and all related actions. Ms. Franklin was previously admitted *pro hac vice* as one of the attorneys for the STATE OF CALIFORNIA. Ms. Franklin is no longer assigned to this case and thus is not representing the Office of the Attorney General, California Department of Justice.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 7, 2006. By: /s/ Nicholas N. Paul

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Nicholas N. Paul, hereby certify that on September 7, 2006, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing, NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE OF SIOBHAN A. FRANKLIN, to be served on all counsel of record via electronic service pursuant to Paragraph 11 of Case Management Order No. 2, by sending a copy to LexisNexis File & Serve for posting and notification to all parties.

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